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THE DEATH ROLL.

Exactly how many lives were lost in the valley of the Conemaugh in the great flood seems unlikely ever to be known. The records on the subject are by no means clear at present, and every day that passes seems to make the definition of the number of the dead more difficult. In the first days after the great disaster there was, and rightly, more attention paid to the living than the dead. Instant help for the homeless, starving refugees was every one's first thought. Many of the dead that were drawn from the rivers and the wreckage left by the flood when the relief corps first reached the scene were buried without accurate registration. A regular system in keeping the mortuary list was not adopted till many days had elapsed. Hence, when the available figures are footed up to-day, the smallness of the total loss of life is a legitimate cause for

In another place in this issue a correspondent of THE DISPATCH goes over this subject rather fully. He finds that authorities disagree more or less as to the number of the dead and the value of the property destroyed. For the time being the latter part of the question need not be discussed. Mr. Clark, who made a directory of Johnstown in this year, and who is therefore competent to some extent to speak upon the subject, thinks that not more than 5,000 lives were lost. Another authority of some standing puts the total 2,000 below this. And yet two or three days ago the doctors working at Johnstown agreed that the list of dead would be not less than 10 000. Yes. terday, on a rather vague basis, a report emanated from Johnstown that at least 17,000 persons were dead or missing. The figures of the dead recovered and buried

vary almost as considerably. The officials engaged in registering the living say that only 16,000 names are on their books, and express a rather sanguine belief that as many more names will be added in a day or two. We hope this belief will be realized. The facts, however, do not appear to justify it. We shall be very agreeably surprised if the loss of life goes considerably below 10,000 instead of slightly above that number.

A MAXIM GENEROUSLY APPLIED.

De mortuis nihil nisi bonum, is a maxim which is being very generously observed toward the deceased General Cameron. Some of the characterizations of the deceased would seem to borrow the language of singular extravagance, if it were not a remembered fact that it was Simon Cameron's fortune in the latter years of his life to hear even such tributes from those who in earlier times had visited upon his head the most unsparing and scathing criticism. Of such for instance, were Judge Kelley and Ben Brewster, who, from at one time deploring the inability of language to express the offense which General Cameron's course in polities gave them, came after some years to regret a similar inefficency to state adequately their admiration for both the man and the politician.

The opposition which General Cameron met at stages of his long and exciting career was too hot, and the part he bore in national as well as State politics was too conspicuous to make it possible for most of those who then earnestly and conscientiously opposed him to be disposed to revise their opinions or their judgments now. But the moderation with which alike leading Democrats and Republicans, who were in opposition, refer to the political incidents which gave rise to so much acerbity, and the uniform acknowledgment they make of the leading commendable personal qualities of the man, are as noticeable as the extreme encomiums from those who supported his contest.

The wisdom of Cameron in retiring from the political arena ten years ago is certainly illustrated in the comments now being made upon his career. It was during the ten years of his retirement that the bitterest fights occurred in the Republican ranks. The party under the direction, or rather domination of his son, Donald, the present ex-Senator, and his colleagues, was not by any means so harmonious, nor were the methods of its direction or its acts of such sort that had the General been concerned he could have escaped a continuance of bitter criticism. But it is the good fortune of his memory that he was in retirement when these later battles were fought, and that his notable and picturesque old age, and the wonderful oheerfulness and geniality which he showed in it to everybody, regardless of past disputes, inclined the present generation, to whom the incidents of his earlier life are little more than traditions, to take the most generous view and to apply to him in an unusual degree the saying of the ancients, that of the dead only good should be spoken.

THE ERA OF RAPID TRANSIT.

The movement for rapid transit in Pittsburg and Allegheny and the adjacent suburbs has set in with a vigor that would have been thought fabulous had anyone predicted it ten, or even five years ago. "Time is money," is the most popular of proverbs now. The mechanical appliances which have superseded horse-fiesh as a least a half a column as usual. The cusmotor explain the situation. As most of tomary Tennysonian reference to the ten these enterprises involve incidentally at tall brunettes on the platform as "aweet least, the growth of the community, the en- girl graduates with golden hair" still eludes ement of property-values, and the con- the editor's blue pencil. Every commenceto be commended and encouraged in the best attended and containing the most bulk. The single one among them which is lovely and learned girls, and on an average likely to challenge exclusive and possibly not more than one in three of the heroines ermined opposition is that which con- has her name spelt wrong. So what is the semplates the use of Forbes street, now the matter with our fair young friends? What's only unobstructed avenue to the East End. | the matter with Mamie, of Vassar, any way? There is certainly force in the point that it would be well to leave one street clear of OUR esteemed cotemporary, the Chicago

riches in the way of other routes that can almost as cheaply and even more profitably be taken up between Forbes street and the of these, such for instance as the line of the abandoned Eastern Heights Railroad.

But whatever objections may arise to particular routes, the general movement for rapid transit will be heartily welcomed. Cable and electric railroads are much sought after by nearly all localities which want economy of time in getting to the business center. A true business way of disposing of rights would look to greater revenue for the two cities than has hitherto been got from that source—but so much has been urged on that score with so little effect that it seems useless to expect any immediate alteration in the extremely liberal custom of

A CAUSE OF THE SCARCITY.

With regard to the present high prices of argument, which has been made by several charge the most recent advances exclu- imagination gets the best of him. sively to the Sugar Trust. The Journal states that the visible supply of sugar in the whole world is less than three-quarters of what it was a year ago; and that the supply at the four leading ports of this country is not half the amount visible at the same points last summer. Hence it is con- stance. cluded that: "We are simply experienc ing now one of those changes in the price of staple commodities which are entirely natucal and unavoidable."

This is a fair statement on its surface but it commits the error of not tracing deeply enough the causes which often tend to produce a reduction of supply. It is by no means certain that the change in the price of sugar was, as the Journal says, entirely natural and unavoidable or that it was not due to the operations of the Sugar Trust. It is worth while to remember that in the first two years of the Sugar Trust's existence its effect in holding down the prices of raw sugar at the entry ports of this country, was as decided as its work which was more keenly felt by the people of this country, in raising the price of the refined product. The fact is that the Sugar Trust, combining its monopoly with the low prices already produced by the competition of beet sugar abroad, reduced the price of raw sugar so that it hardly paid for the cost of raising it. The result of a marked decrease in the output of sugar was inevitable; and the effect of the same cause is visible in the fact stated by the Journal that, of the supply which has been produced, a much less share is coming to this country than formerly. The operations of the Trust in squeezing the producer may not have been the sole cause of the reduced production; but that it has exaggerated it,

appears on the face of the facts. This feature of the market only repeats the old lesson that artificial interierence with the free action of demand and supply must inevitably work out its own penalty. It also shows that the punishment of such violations of the law of trade is apt to fall upon the innocent consumer rather than upon the manipulators who are really | natic asylum long ago. esponsible for the trouble.

THE GOOD-NATURED FRIEND.

carry bad news to a friend or to inform him of scandalous gossip in which his name figures too seldom meets with his deserts in this world. Therefore we are inclined to rejoice because Dr. Augustine Thompson, a philanthropist of this order, who has been plying his vocation in Lowell, Mass., has part his hair at the side like a sensible man. been mulcted of \$30,000, because he reflected on the character of an actress named Myra Moriata. Miss Moriata was a mill hand, but forsook the hosiery factory for the stage, and starred in Dr. Thompson's drama "Lins, the Slave Girl." Soon after her stage career began she was married to a Mr. Beale, a very rich Bostonian, from whom she obtained a divorce with alimony not

long ago. Then the mill girl actress sued her mana ger, Dr. Thompson, for alienating her husband's affections, which she claimed he had done by telling Mr. Beale of her behavior while a single woman. The Supreme Court of Massachusetts has just confirmed the verdict giving her \$30,000 damages, and says, "that the defendant owed no duty to the husband to inform him of the bad conduct of his wife before her marriage * * * There is no evidence that the defendant in sending the letter to the plaintiff's husband was acting in any duty, social, moral or

Myra Moriata, the actress, has been given a superb start in her career. She has been married, divorced with alimony and eased of imputations upon her character by a large sum of money. She has no reason to complain of her ex-husband's good-natured friend. But the latter belongs to a class of men that need castigating at every possible

MAMIE WHAT'S THE MATTER ! Why should the seraphic being who is numerous upon the horizon these days, the white-robed girl graduate, turn upon the newspapers to rend them? One of them, a graduate of illustrious Vassar, whose first name is Mamie, spoke a long piece at the college commencement exercises devoted to the annihilation of the newspapers of the country. This was very unkind of Mamie. She must have known she had her victims at a disadvantage. Very few of them could say aword in reply, because very few would know that Mamie had spoken her piece. How a girl with such an amiable, if rather trivial, name as Mamie could be so cruel

we don't understand. But why should Mamie or any other girl graduate give the newspapers fits? Don't they-the newspapers, that is-pile on enough adjectives in their reports of commencements? Have the reporters' vocabularies showed signs of failing in the flood of appreciative remarks about the young women standing on the golden brink of a world that they think contains nothing but roses and engagement rings, or plain gold ones, ice cream and waltzes? We have not observed it. Miss Smith, we notice in the usual com mencement reports, is said to have delivered a masterly address on the "Otherness of the Hereafter;" Miss Brown's oration on the "Value of School Friendships" is reported in full almost, and Miss Jones' humorous remarks on the "Superinduction of the Dorie Mode of Genuflection" occupy at

gold. A posy of golden orchids completed the fort of the public, they are | ment is said to be the most remarkable, the

tracks. As there is an embarrassment of Mail, says that within the last few years that city has grown dirtier and filthier than any other city in America. This we believe to be true. The Mail thinks a remedy for this Monongahela, it would seem decidedly the evil would be found in boring for natural fitter policy for the prospectors to adopt one | gas; and it lays great stress upon the dis covery of a six-foot jet of flame which shot up and then disappeared in a water well. Chicagoans are gassy enough, but we are

> Two baseball players nearly killed an umpire out West the other day. Here an umpire would be thanked if he killed a whole club of players once in a while just to encourage the others, as Napoleon would have said.

afraid that Chicago has no gas belt under it.

THERE seems to be a considerable difference of opinion as to the commencement address delivered by Editor Henry W. Grady at the University of Virginia the other day. The New York Sun says it is a prose poem, a rhapsody, while the New York Herald insists that Editor Grady talked nothing but sugar, the Providence Journal repeats the common sense. We regret to say that in our opinion a good deal of what Mr. Grady of our cotemporaries, that it is not fair to said is pure unadulterated buncombe. His

> It is very hard on the Alleghenvs that after they have fallen down one more step in the League list they can fall no further. Something soft ought to be prepared for their reception-a mud-hole, for in-

AFTER all it seems to be true that Mary Anderson is still a very sick woman. Her health has not improved since she reached England she looks wan and nale is absentminded and fails to recognize old friends. It is now publicly announced that she will not reappear on the stage until October, 1890. In the light of these facts the stories about Miss Anderson's pleading illness to get back to her aristocratic friends in England are very cruel.

TREASON is a queer commodity in France. The keeper of a cafe who sold Bavarian beer has been called a traitor and forced to sell nothing Teutonic. But it is patriotic to conspire against the Republic.

THEY are surprised down in St. Louis that the late John Gilbert never talked about his conquests of women, never figured in a scandal and never promenaded on Broadway for the ladies to admire his makeup. They ought to remember that Mr. Gilbert was a real actor and a thorough gentleman. The male stage beauty who makes an exhibition of himself in vulgar ways is never either.

THE Supreme Court of Indiana has decided that shaving is not a necessity. Perhaps it is not in Indiana, where a good many people hold that bathing is a luxury.

THE thanks of a weary public are tendered to General Butler and Admiral Porter by the Philadelphia Press for their considerate kindness and patriotic willingness to shut up in the interest of harmony. Both gentlemen ought to thank their triends and the public for not having put them in a lu-

THE junior bank clerk in these days wishes he had the alleged tributes of the The good-natured man who hurries to adder. The allusions to Flann and lotteries

Now that he is appointed United States Minister to Germany it will be a good opportunity for Mr. William Walter Phelps to remove that ridiculous bang of his and The bang is loud enough, but Mr. Phelns will not find it of use to him in scaring Prince Bismarck.

No need to go to watering places this summer. The skies have been watering this place too much as it is.

CHURCH and Sunday school picnics in weather like that which we have been cursed with during the last 40 days are rather more exciting than comfortable. The picnics and the bad weather continue right along, however, and it is a question of considerable doubt which will stop first.

JUNE has been a failure. July can hardly

Mps Joun A Logan who is still trav. eling in Europe, is said to have been disil-Insignized by her visit to the Old World. because she finds it "too Americanized." too improved. We are very sorry for Mrs. Logan, but we must congratulate the Old

PERSONAL GUSSIP.

THE Hon. Allen W. Thurman is going in MR. WANAMAKER'S Philadelphia Bible class has purchased a summer home at Ocean

JOHN G. WHITTIER has been attending the New England Yearly Meeting of Friends at Portland, Me.

IT is said that some of the students of Yale having become influenced by reading Robert Elsmere, talk of establishing a new church. MRS. CALLAHAN and Mrs. Rogers are Texas stock-raisers, doing business individually for themselves. The first lady is the owner of 50, 000 sheep, and the other is rated at \$1,000,00 in cash and live stock.

Mr. G. R. SIMS, "Dagonet," author o is receiving hundreds of sympathetic letters from people who suppose him to be identical with the newspaper reporter, Mr. Simms, who Two entirely different men, however, RUSSELL HARRISON'S latest business ve ure is the erection of a new hot swimming bath at Helena, Mont. The bath is to be 12

feet square, and the water as it flows into the bath from the springs will drop a distance of 42 feet in a cascade. Mr. Harrison has recently returned to New York from a trip to Helena He will sail in a few days for Europe. GENERAL SHERMAN is reputed to posse the happy faculty of never repeating the same anecdote. Although he tells a story on every fitting occasion it is always new and pointer Another enviable characteristic of the old soldier is his tender affection for veterans of the

war. His door is always open to them and he is never too busy to hear the story of an old comrade in arms. In many instances he has added a well-filled purse to his words of encour THE artistic taste abroad is now in favor gold jewelry, made into wonderful shapes and forms, but unassisted in its effects by gems or jewels. Mrs. Alma Tadema wore recently at a London entertainment a gold necklace of ex-quisite workmanship and 12 yards long, which was pliable enough to be twisted many times around the neck. With this, and, of course, selected to correspond with it, was worn a gown of cream-colored satin, heavily embroidered in

THERE are in this country 364 colleges de oted to the liberal arts, having about 4,500 professors and 45,000 students. These figures do not include the female colleges and semi-naries, which number 160, and have 1,864 teachers and 21,000 students, or the 90 schools of science, with 15,000 students, or the 300 institu-tions devoted wholly to law, medicine and theol-ogy and having over10,000 students. The property ment as much more. Taking all the higher institutions of learning together, they are said to represent a money investment or \$200,-

THE TOPICAL TALKER.

New Fashion in Social Pastimes-Revival of Gilbert and Sullivan's Operas-Mr. Howells in a New Gaise.

THERE are fashions in everything. We get to thinking that fashion is only the ruler of the bonnet and the dress of our wives, sisters, nothers and sweethearts - the mysterious ower that decrees what the angle of a bustle hall be or the size of the pantaloous which conceal or display the contour of masculine underpinnings. But fashion embraces a good leal more in her empire.

FOR example, some nights ago several young professional men were calling upon some adies in this city. There was some singing off and on during the evening. Then one of the men proposed that resort be had to harmonic on Nobody but the visiting party progression. Nobody but the harmonic progression might be, but that made their desire to know the greater.

It did not prove to be an alarming surprise, but a pretty idea all the same. One of the young men, a barrister remarkable for his citative powers, told the beautiful old story of "Barbara Freitchie," and as he closed a brother attorney, who is blessed with a very sweet tenor voice, sat down before the plano and sang with lots of feeling "Maryland, My

The passage from the powerful poem of Whittier to the song will be recognized as harmonic progression. Many more recitations linked with songs were given that evening, and one of the party said to me the next day:
"It is an Eastern idea, and it is all the fashi

So there is a fashion in the pastimes of soci

THE survival of Gilbert and Sullivan's comic operas is one of those things which ought not surprise anybody. Yet one cannot help feelng a little bit astonished to hear that those anthors' "Pinafore" is playing to crowded houses in Philadelphia in summer. A gentleman who was in Philadelphia on

Tuesday night last tells me that when he went see "Pinafore" at the Grand Opera House on that evening, he found the house packed. Even standing room was hard to find after the performance commenced. That was the second performance of the amusing travesty in song of Her Majesty's navee.

It confirms me in my belief that a good comic opera company, I mean one with at least four good solo voices in it and a well-drilled chorus of fresh singers, could make a very profitable season playing four or five of the older Gilbert and Sullivan operas. A repertoire containing "Pinafore," "The Sorcerer," "Trial by Jury," "Iolanthe" and "The Pirates of Penzance," would be popular in cities possessing any pretension at all to musical culture. Summer opera has never paid its, managers so well in Philadelphia as the Gilbert and Sullivan revivals promise to do.

WHO would have thought that Mr. Howells the novelist, really could unbend so much as to go to see Mr. Hoyt's "Midnight Bell," to revel in Mr. Harrigan's racy comedies of New York life, to laugh and cry over Denman Thompson in the "Old Homestead," and study with sympathetic care the creations of Nell Burgess? It is very delightful reading, too, the impres sions these plays and actors made upon Mr. Howells as he tells them in the Editor's Study in the July Harper.

They are not the impressions I think a good nany people would have expected the most re cent products of the American stage to make upon Mr. Howells. I can hardly imagine Mr. Howells laughing heartily. But he must have enjoyed thoroughly the artists and plays he praises so unstintingly. His eye in dramatic criticism seems not to be the eye of the man who makes such astounding discoveries in literature; it is a clearer eye and more like the organ of a plain citizen endowed with common nse and a big heart. Everybody will be better for reading what Mr. Howells has to say. Ever the men he praises and encourages to higher things.

SENSATIONAL ABDUCTION.

Mether Kidnaps Her Child From a Public

School Bullding. CHICAGO, June 27 .- The Haves public school was the scene of a sensational case of kidnap-ing yesterday afternoon. Hattie, the 12-year-old daughter of John and Celia Thatcher, was stolen by her own mother. The Thatchers were married in Chicago 13 years ago. Three years fter the marriage Mr. Thatcher gained a suit for divorce, and the court awarded him the custody of the child. Hattie, then 2 years of

custody of the child. Hattie, then 2 years of age. Mr. Thatcher gave the little girl into her grandmother's care.

At the close of the public school term one year ago Mrs. Thatcher, who had made many efforts to obtain possession of the child, endeavored to abduct her from the school yard. The attempt was unsuccessful, as the child was atraid of her mother and refused to go with her. Yesterday afternoon, shortly before school closed, a carriage closely curtained was driven up to the Hayes school and a woman alighted. She entered the school building and went directly to room eight. The teacher responded to her knock, and the woman said she was Mrs. Thatcher and asked to see her daughter Hattle, but the girl refused to go to the door. Mrs. Thatcher then apparently went away. About five minutes later the door opened and Mrs. Thatcher dashed into the room. She seized the little girl around the waist and started for the door.

Miss Hannon interrupted her at the door and made a determined resistance. Mrs. Thatcher was much larger and more powerful than the teacher and succeeded in getting the door partially open. Then Miss Hannon called for the pupils to assist her and they came in a body. Just at this moment a young man wearing a very heavy mustache entered the room, and throwing Miss Hannon and the children to one side, took the struggling child from its mother's arms and rushed down the stairway, followed by the mother. The man choked the child so she could not scream. The cabman stood with the door of the vehicie open and they entered hurriedly. Then Mrs. Thatcher applied a handkerchief to the little girl's face and she lay perfectly quiet, and the cabman turned about and drove rapidly away. The police were notified and are at work on the case. The child's father and grandmother are much distressed. age. Mr. Thatcher gave the little girl into her

Make No Mistake From the Louisville Courier Journal, 1

The death rattle of prohibition in Pennsyl Vania should not be mistaken for the hic

ODD ITEMS FROM FOREIGN SHORES.

DURING the month of May no fewer than 48 suicides were committed in Vienna, a total which for that month has not been reached for many years past.

THE escape of a swindler by means of a balloon and his discovery through the pigeon post is the latest sensation in criminal intelligence that comes from Vienna.

THE mountain railway to the summit of Mount Pilatus has been successfully inaugur ated, having an incline twice that of the Right is accomplished in 1 hour and 40 minutes EXCEPTIONALLY large orders have just been received in Birmingham for war material for the British Government. The principal facto-ries are engaged to their full capacity, and are employing a large number of extra hands.

NaPHTHA is now much used as fuel in middle Russia. Last year 880,000 tons of it were sent up the Volga for fuel purposes, and it is expected that the export for the same purpose will this year reach no less than 1,000,000 tons. Toward the cost of the Congo Railway the Relgian Ministry will shortly ask the chambers for authority to subscribe 8,000,000 francs, the rest of the 25,000,000 francs required for the work having been subscribed in Belgium, Eu-gland and Germany.

A LENS for seeing while under water is de scribed by its discoverers as producing an effect which is both astonishing and delightful. It gives distinct vision of objects 20 or 30 feet off, the eye's loss of extended sight when under water being because an entirely different focus is required. The spectacles which provide this can be made by putting two watch glasses of three-quarters of an inch diameter and an inch

radius back to back, or with the concavities out-WE are told that the freck coat which has re cently almost disappeared from London, has been brought back through the influence of the Prince of Wales. His friends all have ped the tall hat for race meetings, and coat, and trousers from three different suits, are, under the Prince's leadership, in great fashion. A dark blue dress coat, with brass buttons is expected to be the subject of his next effort, though such previous attempts unded in failure.

A DELIGHTFUL GARDEN PARTY. t. John's P. E. Church Congregation Enjoys

a Very Pleasant Evening. The evening garden party given at the residence of John Perring, Esq., Butler street, opposite the car station, isstnight, was a pleasing success in every particular. The party was given under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society of St. John's P. E. Church for the benefit of the church. The rain early in the evenpresent to make the large mansion and grounds At different places on the grounds traction-car beadlights were placed, and these, with the

Japanese lanterns, made plenty of light.
On account of the rain the candy booths etc., were all in doors. The parlor was grouped with tropical plants in the center, and the booths placed around the central bower. The candy booth was in charge of Misses Walton candy bacted around the central bower. The candy booth was in charge of Misses Walton and Seamen. Misses Clark and Webbe had charge of the lemonade booth. The flower and cigar booths were in charge of Misses Perring and Taylor. The saw dust pie table, a grabbag arrangement, was in charge of Misses Tominson and Josie Cuthbert. Toe cream and strawberries were served on the rear porch and under the trees, Mrs. Kelly, Mrs. Blackford and Mrs. Bower were in

charge.

The feature of the evening was the concert, All the numbers were well taken by prominen local performers. The following was the pro gramme carried out: gramme carried out;
Sunflower chorus, performed by a number of
young ladies; photograph duet, Mrs. F. G. Fricke
and Mr. Augustus Schnabel; army and navy duet,
Messrs. Schnabel and Thomas: recitation, "Mrs.
McGowen's Mistake," Miss Edith Totten; vocal
solo, Mrs. F. G. Fricke; quarrel trio, Mrs. Fricke,
Mrs. Allen and Mrs. Lazear.

A good neat sum was netted for the church.

The Residents of Lawrenceville Apprecia tive of Good Music.

The organ recital given last evening in the Butler M. E. Church was in every way most enjoyable, as well as a fair success financially. The rain kept many away, but in spite of the weather the large auditorium of the beautiful church was well filled. Prof. Carter, the well-known organist, played

AN ENJOYABLE RECITAL.

all his numbers with marked skill, expression and fine feeling. Then the new organ was in

and fine feeling. Then the new organ was in such perfect tone that the pleasure was agreeably heightened.

Harry B. Brockett, Jr., was the tenor of the evening, as was Miss Sadie E. Ritts the soprano; Miss Olive R. McKinley, the contralto, and Mr. C. M. Rorah the basso.

The singers all did exceptionally well, and received liberal applause, Mr. Brockett, of course, showing the good resuits of his European training. Miss Ritts, who has been creating no little stir in musical matters here recently, and who is deservedly growing more popular every time she sings, did even better than on any previous occasion in this city. If her future success was appreciated last evening, then she can be confident of the place among singers she de-

Mr. Rorah and Miss McKinley are new and promising local singers. They both have very

FIFTY YEARS MARRIED.

Dr. and Mrs. Bruce, of Allegheny, Celebrat

Their Golden Wedding. Dr. George D. Bruce, the oldest practicin physician in this city, and his wife, celebrated their golden wedding last evening at their home, 266 Western avenue, Allegheny. The doctor was married to Miss Frances McAllister of Philadelphia, June 27, 1839, by Rev. Dr. Tyng, the celebrated Episcopalian clergyman. About 200 friends of the aged couple were present at the reception last evening, including three who attended the wedding 50 years ago. They were Thomas McAllister, of New York, and John McAllister, of Philadelphia, brothers of Mrs. Bruce, and Robert Bruce, of Pittsburg. Dr. and Mrs. Bruce were the recipients of

The women of the Methodist Episcopal churches of Pittsburg and Allegheny who form the Home and Foreign Miss. cieties held their district meeting at New Brighton yesterday. There was quite an ex-cursion of the ladies from the city, most of going by way of the P. & L. E. R. The pro-

FULL-FLEDGED TEACHERS

The Annual Commencement Exercises of th California Normal School. cial Telegram to The Dispatch.

CALIFORNIA, PA., June 27.-Larger than ever before was the audience that gathered in the Normal Chapel to witness the commence-ment exercises, and to join in wishing a hearty god-speed to the departing class. young ladies and gentlemen received their dithe following localities: Mary Josephs, Pitts-burg; Minnie McMunn and Nettie Crawford, burg; Minnie McMunn and Nettie Crawford,
Allegheny; Minnie Coursin, McKeesport; Ella
Neemes, Tarentum; Lizzie and Josie Musgrave,
Shousetown; Ida Dague, Washington: Sallie
Van Voorhis, Monongahela City; Mary Eschbaum, New Castle; Millie Cunningham, Wampum; Maggie Gilmore and Mary Vogel, Webster; Lillian Brown, West Newton: Anna
Berthel, Mt. Pleasaut; Ida Hugg, Belle Vernon; Ella Taggart, Fayette City; Ida Goe and Berthel, Mt. Pleasant; Ida Hugg, Belle Ver-non; Ella Taggart, Fayette City; Ida Goe and Anna Kinder. Brownsville; Lizzie Jamison, Waynesburg; James C. Long and Lee Smith, Uniontown; Joseph Luckey, Connellsville; Allie Baker, Catharine Darsie, Annie Hertzog, Sadie Lilley, Minnie Paxton and Bert Lewis, California. Eleven of the class were chosen as speakers

A CASTLE GARDEN ROMANCE. The Efforts of a Girl to Learn the Where-

abouts of Her Family. NEW YORK, June 27 .- A romance of Castle Garden is shadowed by a letter received to-day by Superintendent Jackson. The writer was Marie Bey, a 23-year-old French girl, who lives in Windom, Minn. She asks the Castle Garden Superintendent to help her to trace her family or relatives. The girl states that she came to this country with her mother 21 years ago on this country with her mother 21 years ago on the steamer Celia from Havre. On arrival her mother was suffering from typhoid fever, and with her mother she was transferred to the Ward's Island Hoapital. The mother died, and the writer was adopted by a family whose name she does not give. She has lived with the family ever since.

"I never knew." she writes, "what my right was until recently for the folks that took name was until recently, for the folks that took me when my mother died would never let me know anything about my parents. I do not know what my mother's name was, and I den't know whether my father is living or not." She wants to find out what part of France her nother came from

nother came from. PROCTOR'S ORDER.

The War Department in Mourning in Mem ory of Simon Cameron. WASHINGTON, June 27 .- The following orde

The painful duty devolves upon the Secretary o War of announcing the death of Hon. Simon Cameron, of Pennsylvania. Mr. Cameron was the Secretary of War in the original Cabinet of Presi-dent Lincoln, and rendered distinguished ser-Secretary of War in the original Cabinet of President Lincoln, and rendered distinguished services to his country in the early period of the late War for the Union. Before that time and subsequently he represented his State in the Senate of the United States for many years. He had by reason of strength attained the ripe age of 90 years, and died on the 26th linst, near the place of his birth, in the great Commonwealth he had so long and taithfully served. As a mark of respect to his memory, it is ordered that the offices connected with the Department of War be draped in mourning for the period of 30 days and all business be suspended therein on the day of the funeral.

REDFIELD PROCTOR, Secretary of War.

DEATHS OF A DAY.

Hon. John P. Vorren cial Telegram to The Dispatch.

PHILADELPHIA, June 27.-Ex-Congress John P. Verree died at his home at Verree's Milis, near Fox Chase, this morning, in his 73d year. The immediate cause of his death was heart fallure, produced by a prolonged attack of illness. Mr. Verree was a bachelor and was born and lived all his life in the vicinity of Verree's Milis. He all his life in the vicinity of Verree's Mills. He was born in 1816, and in early life entered business as a manufacturer of iron, and for years was at the head of the firm of John P. Vorree & Co., dealers in edge tools, and of the firm of Verree & Mitchell, dealers in Iron and steel. For a considerable period he was President of the National Capital Life Insurance Company. He was in early life a Whig in politics, and the law of gravitation brought him into the Republican party, with which he became very prominently identi-

TRACT'S NEW STYLE.

The Secretary Effects an Entire Reorgan ization of the Navy Department. WASHINGTON, June 27 .- By a sweeping ger eral order issued to-day, Secretary Tracy di-rected an entire reorganization of the business methods of the Navy Department. Succinctly stated the Secretary's reasons for making the order are as follows: Up to this time the new requirements and new duties constantly aris-ing from the conditions of change incident to the replacement of the old wooden vessels with new ships and modern guns, have been assigned here and there to the several bureau assigned here and there to the several bureaus of the department, often with no better reason than the convenience of the moment. The result has been confusion and an exaggeration of the defects of the bureau system. Duties which have no connection have been placed together and those naturally associated have been divorced. Supply has been complicated and expensive.

been divorced. Supply has been complicated and expensive.

Electric lighting, for example, has been claimed by three bureaus. The training of officers and men apart from the independent establishment of the Naval Academy, has been divided between an equal number. And there has been no effice to control and detail the personnel as a whole, both officers and men, and to receive and transmit the correspondence of the fleet. Secretary Whitney realized the evils of the system, and made an effort to change them, but was obliged from the magnitude of the task and the paramount importance of concentrating his energies upon the procurement of new ships and guns, to abandon the work. Secretary Tracy, however, now says that time is ripe for further change, and has accordingly issued the new order. It enlarges the duties of some of the bureaus, notably the Bureau of Equipment, to which is attributed nearly all the duties of supply, heretofore belonging to the Bureau of Navigation, and the control of the hydrographic and compass offices of the Naval Observatory. To the constructing, manufacturing and purchasing bureaus are assigned other duties, grouping them systematically and appropriately.

appropriately.

Each bureau exercises control of its shops Each oureau exercises control of us snops, labor, superintendence, requisitions, accounts and appropriations. The limits of authority are well defined. The Bureau of Navigation loses its duties of supply and its control over several important offices, and becomes under the immediate direction of the Secretary and Executive section for military matters, and is charmed with the training disciplining and con-Executive section for military matters, and is charged with the training, discipline and control of the personnel of the fleet. Finally the chiefs of the Bureau of Yards and Docks, Equipment, Ordnance, Construction and Repairs and Steam Engineering ex-officio constitute a board for the design, construction and equipment of new ships. Practically, the one effect of the order will be to make the Bureau of Navigation correspond to the Adjustant of Navigation correspond to the Adjutant General's office in the War Department in the Jeneral's office in the War Department in the control of the entire personnel of the organization.

MRS. HAYES' FUNERAL.

A Large Number of Distinguished Pers Will be Present.

FREMONT, O., June 27 .- The arrangements for the funeral of Mrs. Hayes to-morrow are about completed. The services will be very brief and simple. Dr. L. D. McCabe, of Delaware University, will have charge, and will be assisted by Dr. Merrick, one of Mrs. Hayes' college professors, and the different ministers of the city. Friends of the family are arriving on every train. Some beautiful floral designs have already reached the Hayes residence. There will be a large attendance. Quite a num-ber of personal friends of the Hayes family from different points have arrived to-day and this evening to attend the funeral of Mrs. this evening to attend the funeral of Mrs. Hayes to-morrow, and in the morning a special train will arrive from Columbus, bringing a throng of old-time associates and friends of the ex-President and his lamented wife. Governor and Mrs. Foraker are expected to be of the party. There are already present at Spiegel Grove to-night 21 out of the 24 persons who were guests at the White House at Washington on December 30, 1877, when General and Mrs. Hayes celebrated their silver wedding anniversary.

The list of personal friends who are under The list of personal friends who are under the Hayes' roof-tree to-night, embraces General and Mrs. Mitchell, Dr. and Mrs. Fullerton and R. H. Platt, of Columbus; J. W. Herron and wife, Dr. John Davis and wife, of Cincipnati; Mrs. Ellen G. Cook, Mrs. M. M. S. Gilmore, Miss McKell and J. S. McKell, of Chillicothe; Mrs. and Mrs. Lemuel Boggs, of Circleville, O.: Mr. and Mrs. Scott Boggs and Miss Boggs, of Kingston, O.; Mrs. General Russell Hastings and Mrs. Lucy McCandless, of Pittsburg, and Miss Nellie Cook, of Detroit.

Chalrman McCreery in That City Inquiring About the Rendy-Made Houses. CHICAGO, June 27.—Wm. McCreery, of Pitts-burg. Chairman of the Johnstown Relief Com-mittee, is in the city and held to-day a conference with Mayor Cregier and other member of the Johnstown committee, to whom he explained the condition of affairs of the stricken

city. He says that it is in contemplation to spen the remaining \$500,000 in the hands of his com-mittee in furnishing houses and furniture fo the sufferers at the rate of about \$300 each. the sufferers at the rate of about \$500 each.

Mr. McCreery called on the Mayor at the request of Governor Beaver, who desired him to ascertain if it was possible to get any more than the 300 ready-made houses already ordered from Chicago.

FOR THE UNKNOWN DEAD. Monument to the Unidentified John

Victims in Prospect. FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.1 JOHNSTOWN, June 27 .- John Chalfant and Jacob Painter, Jr., of Pittsburg, were in Johns-town to-day to look at a sight for a cemetery for the unknown dead which the Cambria Iron Works will contribute on Prospect Hill. Gen works will contribute on Prospect Hill. Gen-eral Wiley detailed Dr. Foster to accompany the gentlemen over the devastated field. Before leaving Mr. Painter said he would start a subscription at the Chamber of Com-merce to raise money enough to erect a fine monument on the hillside, to be dedicated to the memory of the unknown dead. It will cost about \$50,000.

\$350,000 a Year While in Prison. rom the New York Tribune. There is a queer story told of E. L. Harper, the wrecker of the Fidelity Bank of Cincinnati. It is to the effect that he has been doing a profitable iron business to the tune of \$350,000 a year while serving his sentence in the Ohio penitentiary. Through the efforts of his faithful wife, a joint stock company was formed, and, presumably through the collusion of some of the prison officials. Harper was allowed to direct the movements of this company by tele-graph, thus enabling it to make money when other men in the iron business were actually running behind. It is a striking illustration of what a "smart" man with money can do even when he is dead in the eyes of the law. In the meanwhile the discovery of this little arrangenent will be likely to arrest the effort to obtain a pardon for this distinguished criminal.

The Dirtless Shoe and Wiltless Shirt. Yellow shoes and flannel shirts? Why not Every man who is not a hypocrit must confess to yearnings after these articles of comfort. Let us have a campaign of common sense in

Hurrah for the dirtless shoe and the wiltless

ODD THINGS ON THE HEAD.

In Norway a high hat shaped something like flower pot is worn, and the Cossack wears hat like a stovepipe, without a brim. To-DAY among the Swiss a hat is worn similar in form to the old Puritan hat. It, how ever, is often ornamented with gay-colored ribbons about it.

THE marabout or black priest of Moham

who wanders among the African tribes, wears upon his sable head a white cap or fez, such as e expects to wear in Paradise. In Mohammedan countries the turban found. Some of these are scarfs wrapped and twisted about the head. Others are combinaions of scarf and fez, with a button and tassel WHEN stovepipe hats were first introduced among Indians they usually punched the top out of them the first thing for the sake of ven-

tilation, as they did not care to have their heads hot. An African hat is in the form of a helmet woven of rushes or straw, having a peak on op and a mask or viser extending down over he face. There are two holes or goggles for

the eyes. THE Chinese mandarins and men of conse quence wear little round silk skull caps most of the time. These are ornamented on the top with buttons whose colors denote the order or rank of the wearer.

A SINGULAR Corean hat is a great round mat of straw worn by a mourner. This goes with a costume of coarse cloth. The hat is bound down at the sides so as to almost conceal in his hand a screen or fan, and when in the road anyone approaches him he holds this screen in front of him so that it, together with the hat, completely conceals him.

NEW YORK NEWS NOTES.

An Unusual Breach of Promise Suit.

New York, June 27.-Jacob Leise, a wido since last September, and Mrs. Caroline Stet-ter, a widow since last October, met each other last December. Mr. Leise fell in love with Mrs. Stetter at once and told her so. He thought she promised to marry him. He gave her a gold watch and chain, bracelets, earrings ner a gold watch and chain, braceiets, earrings and an engagement ring. Three weeks ago he asked her to set the wedding day. She called him an old fool, and said she would never marry him. He immediately sued her for \$10,000 damages for breach of promise and for the recovery of his presents. The trial of the case was fixed for to-day. Last night, however, Mr. Leise and Mrs. Stetter met by chance at the house of a common friend. Mr. Leise proposed again and offered to withdraw his suit if Mrs. tter would marry him then and there. Afte demurring half an hour she did it. To-day Mr. and Mrs. Leise went to court together to have

Little Lord Fauntieroy. In the French-Sanger suit over Mrs. Burnett's "Little Lord Fauntleroy" to-day, George W.

the case of Leise against Stetter taken from the

Lynch, manager of the child actress, Elsie Leslie, told what he knew about his small protege's contract with the managers of the Broadway Theater. Mr. Lynch wished Elsie to be paid \$175 a week at the opening of the nego-tiations in July, 1888. Mr. French thought that too much. Mrs. Lyde, Elsie's mother, refused to let her child play Little Lord Fauntlerog for less than \$150 a week and a carriage to an from the theater. Eventually it was arranged that Elsie should act for \$100 a week, should b provided with a sleeping car for herself and her mother when traveling and should have a free cab at her service. The managers of the Broadway also agreed to have her name used

on every possible occasion, Mr. Fish Comes Out Ahead.

Stuyvesant Fish is triumphant in the squabble of the centennial committees. Late this afternoon Elbridge T. Gerry made an unconditional surrender, and sent him \$10,000 due to the Entertainment Committee from the Gen-eral Committee for 1,000 ball tickets. Mr. Fish at once issued a formal type-written manifesto would now be able to pay all its debts and sho a small surplus in the accounts, which it would publish shortly. Mr. Fish says Elbridge T. Gerry is eating crow. Colonel S. V. R. Cruger, Chairman of the Centennial Sub-Committee on the Army, reported to-day that after disbursing \$127,000 he had about \$2,500 on hand. The profits of the committee from the sale of seats on the public stands was almost

Some Rather Precocious Children. James Hanning and Edward Healey, 14 years old, broke into Mrs. Healey's room with an ax during her absence. Young Healey packed up his mother's clothes while Hanning stole her jewelry. They pawned everything they could carry away, and then induced two l4-year-old girls from Kinney's Tobacco factory to go on a spree with them. The four children bought and drank ten quarts of beer. Then they lay down drunk in an alley and slept. A police-

nan who found them there locked them up.

They were committed to the care of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children Donn Pintt's Editorial Career. It is reported that Donn Piatt has retired from the editorship of Belford's Magazine, His name, however, is still used by the pub-lishers. The reason for Mr. Pintt's retirement was a hint from the owners of the magazin that they wished to change its policy by reorganizing the editorial department. Mr. Platt's ondition is the real cause of his di Cella Logan, who was associated with Mr. Platt

will be retained by the publishers FEWER PEOPLE TO FEED.

Colonel Spangler Preparing to Close Some

Johnstown Cor [FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.1 JOHNSTOWN, June 27. - Colonel Spangler made another official report to General Hast ings, to-day, in which he states that he has reis his intention to close the commissaries at Brownstown, Minersville, Rosedale and Coop-ersdale this week, and supply the wants of the erstate this week, and supply the wants of the needy from the commissaries in Cambria City and on Prospect Hill. He will also consolidate the commissaries in East Conemaugh, and Woodvale into one station at Franklin, and close the stations at Grubbtown, Moxham and Walnut Grove, and supply the really needy from Johnstown and Kernville. He thinks by Monday the work of relieving the destitute can be left to the citizens.

The changes outlined will leave six commis-saries, located in Franklin, Conemaugh, John-stown, Kernville, Prospect Hill and Cambria City. When he made his last report he was feeding 5,218 people. To-day the number has been reduced to 16,725.

From the Chicago News. J A prominent citizen of New York died the the sad occurrence remarked that the deceased "may be quite an accession to the other world, but he is a small loss to this." Here is a striking example of the exclusiveness of New York's best people.

Woodruff's Fulse Bosoms From the Minneapolis Tribune. 1 Woodruff makes a clean breast of it so often

that people will soon suspect him of TRI-STATE TRIFLES.

WHAT queer schemes some men have for making money. Here is Freedon Shelman, of Garrett county, West Virginia, who expects to make his fortune some day by extracting gold from the teeth of dead bodies. He says there is millions of dollars thus going to was

THE wife of Jacob Hocker, of McKeesport, Pa., is recovering from a fever of peculiar type. Her whole body shed its skin. The skin of the hands and arms came off like a glove, and the hair, toe and finger nails came off. frightful, and I was afraid she would never re time the lady has had the affliction A NUMBER of strange fish, formed like the

so far as reported, entirely new to those waters. How they got there is a mystery. A MEADVILLE, PA., young man has a scrapbook containing marriage notices of all the women he has loved, and he is alleged to sit

white fish of Lake Erie, have just been caught

t the dam near Meadville. Some think they

are ciscoes. They are in color regular straw-

berry blondes, with reddish gills and tails, and

WILKESBARRE, PA., has a new factory that makes soap by the cold process from tallow, cocoanut oil imported from Ceylon and lye. There is no smell from the place.

NEAR Kempton, Berks county, Pa., four onest, worthy bachelor brothers named Kempton, 50 to 75 years old, own and till an excellent farm. One does the cooking, another the king another the washing and the fourth does the ironing, makes the beds and sweeps out. They live alone, and at present are working in

the hayfields barefoot A QUARRY of paving stone in which the slabs are streaked with red, white and blue has been discovered near Meshoppen, Wyoming county,

Doc Jondan, of Riegelsville, Pa., owns bicycle which, it is said, "was at one time the operty of George Washington." "SUCH impudence!" exclaimed a lady sharply

in a Philadelphia drugstore to an elderly man, who had to explain that he was only winking at the proprietor for a special brand of soda. An old citizen of Marietta, O., says: If the

bubbles gather in the center of the breakfast coffee cup the day will be clear. "TELEPHONE pirates" is the name given by

WILSON ROBERTS has to keep his dog tied

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-The English sparrow, undisguised said to be taking the place of the reed bird Chicago bills of fare.

-A London physician of eminence mai tains that the most potent cause of the disser-ination of disease is kissing. -A citizen of Hawkinsville, Ga., has been

married twice in the same breeches, which I still wears. They are 40 years old. -A lumber dealer, of Indianapolis, Ind says that the inhalation of the odor of mir lumber is the reason why lumber yard hors are so healthy.

-On account of the fears that consumption is contageous the German War Minister his decided that the chest of every soldier is to 1

price of an introduction to this and or titled lady presiding over tables.

made arrangement by which an engine driv who has run his trains for two years withou accident shall be presented with \$50. -Peter Anderson, a Wisconsin man, ha

rats. She stuck to ghost and he to rats, and they began a suit for divorce the next day of the grounds of incompatability of temper.

flow up it imbedded itself in the corner or whit portion of the right eye. A doctor, with the help of coacaine, removed it without giving him any pain whatever. -W. D. Wynne tried to cross a swoller reek near Madison, Ga., in his buggy. He wa

-A patient gentleman, who collects stat istics, brings out some figures to help the cause of peace. It seems that from 1852 to 1877 was killed 1,948,000 people, and what is still more wonderful the killing of each man cost more than £2,000. The total cost was £2,413,000,000 so that peace has it good points from an economical side.

-Mrs. Tom Lee, who lives a few miles from Hinesville, Ga., has a turkey gobbler that is a valuable addition to the poultry yard. This spring he took charge of a brood of little turkeys and raised them. He developed a propensity to set, and Mrs. Lee has gratified him. He is now setting on a dozen turkey eggs and two dozen hen eggs. -Since cock-fighting has been suppressed in South Carolina, the sporting men have been endeavoring to create some suitable amusement

never having contemplated such a thing as bull-fighting, made no provision for its preven-tion. Now comes an advertisement of a buil-fight to take place in Florence. -At the widow Hobbs' place near Burnt Mills, in Walker county, Georgia, on a mulberry tree a night or two ago, 30 chickens and 2 turkeys were roosting. It was struck by light-ning. Next morning, out of the crowd, but one lay dead, a rooster that had growed for the last time. The survivors, as night came on, again chose the fatal tree for their resting place.

humor from a crowded street in London. A little girl of 2 or 8 years had been lost, and was crying most bitterly, and would not tell any of those who asked her what was her name or address. Seeing the position of affairs, a benev-olent old gentleman said kindly to her, "My dear, won't you tell me your name? Do try and recollect. It can't be so long since you were baptized."

ulation; in other words there are at least 1,000. 000 of this afflicted class. In the United State there are 38,000; in Great Britain, 20,000; in Germany, 25,000; in France, 30,000; in Sweden, 2,000 in Norway, 1,100; in Denmark, 2,000; in Holland, 2,300, and in Switzerland (the country above all others where deafness is prevalent), 10,000. -The life-line carrying rocket, tested at

ries a line 1,000 yards, and being fired from the ship instead of from the shore, there ought to be no difficulty in making connections, such as arises from the bad aim of guns intended to shoot a line over a wrecked vessel. All steam vessels are to be required to carry some such device as this after March, 1850. -M. Bert recently sewed the tip of a rat's tail into its back, and it, the tail, immediately took root in its new position. Then he cut the loop thus formed by the fan, and the rat had

-One of the most striking spectacles reently seen in Madrid was the mother of the celebrated bull fighter Frascuelo. It appears that she was a very timid woman, and lived in constant alarm during his en-counters. Herdeath took place during his last great fight, when he killed six bulls. Frascuelo showed his love of his mother by giving her a showed his love of his mother by giving her a princely burial, which is estimated to have cost him over £500. The coffin, which was in lead and gold, was carried from the house to the hearse by six banderilleres, and was drawn by eight horses to the churchyard, accompanied by over 160 carriages. Without any want of sympathy for the son's grief, one cannot help reflecting that an espada who buries his relatives in this style must have been making a good thing of it.

Sound to the corps-a bugle call --Texns Siftings. One way in which to make Congressional garden seeds come up is to put dynamite under them. -Oil City Blizzard.

As the butcher adde his hand to the

"Know thyself," read Fogg, musingly, "No, thanks. I know so many people now that I do not care to extend my acquaintance-not in that direction, at least."-Boston Transcript. Several girl graduates have secured the degree of Bachelor of Arts this week. And they so artiess! to say nothing of the confusing nature of the title as to the gender.—Philadelphia Ledger. Bride-George, dear, when we reach town let us try to avoid leaving the impression that we

braska Journal. A new book is out on "The Art of Breathing." "How to Secure the Privilege of Breath-ing" will be more useful in these days of trusts and monopolies of light, heat and water.—New

Wife (emphatically)-Did you say ma riage was a failure?

Husband (humbly)—No, my dear, I did not. A married man doesn't have to say what he thinks,

bill with your first season. - Judge.

Bill Canada called at this office last evening and indignantly denied the story that he was drowned in the Missouri river, while admiring

measured once a month.

The height of snobbishness is reache at English bazaars, where money is taken as th

-The South Australian Government has

hair that fluffs out from his head like wool inches thick, so that he has to wear in lieu of -The fastest runner in Haralson, Ga.,

"Old Man Goggins," who is 72 years of age. H has a record of nine seconds and a fraction to 100 yards, and can make the distance inside o -An Alabama woman heard a ghost it the house. Her husband heard nothing by

-Claude McConnell, of Lafovette Ga was hoeing cotton. His hoe struck a ston and a particle of the hoe broke off, and as i

carried down stream, but by cutting the borse loose from the barness and holding to the reins, his life was saved, though the creek wa-very deep and he could not swim. The horse went ashore, pulling his owner after him.

to take its place. It seems that the law-makers,

-Here is a scintillation of unconscious

in the editorial work of Belford's Magazine, -There is in the civilized world an average of one deaf mute to every 1,500 of the pop-

Washington on Thursday, promises to be a very useful appliance in case of shipwreck. It car-

two tails. He has found, however, that as a two talls. He has found, however, that as a rule, the new tall has no sensation. All this may be interesting to M. Bert, but it can't be relished very much by the rat. Even for the sake of science, it is hardly likely that M. Bert would consent to have one of his hands sewed into his back, and kept there until it took root. There are evidently tigers in scientific laboratories as well as in Indian jungles.

FUNNY MEN'S FANCIES.

weight of the steak he piously sighs to himself, "I love to steal, awhile, a weigh,"-Florida A man in a strange village reads a sign-"Ask your druggist for it"-reflects a moment and says with a grin: "Ah, I see. A prohibition town. - Texas Siftings.

are newly married.

All right, Mande; you can bug this valise.—No.

Orleans Picayune.

Theatrical aspirant-I've been an amateur for some time, and now that I've got a di-vorce I want to go on the regular stage. Manager-I'm afraid you've made a mistake, madam. You should have saved the divorce to

She was a young woman of an inquiring turn of mind on her way home from college, and during a delay at a station she waiked up and down the piatform calculating the panderabilities. "I wonder," she said to her pape, "what is the weight of this train?" "Heally, thy dear, I couldn't say, but—" "I know what it is," interrupted an impatient drammer, "iPs about four hours and a half." Then the girl went in and set down to think awhite.—Washington and sat down to think awhile.

drowned in the Missouri river, while the pontoon bridge at Nebraska City, several day ago. Notwithstanding his denial however, the Journal has positive proof that he was drowner and was placed to a handsome casket after the recovery of his body, but Frank Rancom in passed a saw into the box and the unhappy sawed his way out. The Sheriff of Otoe count now on his track, and intends to bary him bays hope of redemption on July 4.—Jebruse in Journal.

all the time, for as soon as he gets loose he runs to the henceop and cats up all the eggs he can